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ALL CONTRACTING PUBLIC AGENCIES

SUBJECT: 2002 OPTIONAL PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACT PROVISIONS

AND AMENDMENT PROCEDURES (PERS-CON-40)

As a result of Chapter 782 (AB 616, Statutes of 2001) that became effective January 1, 2002, three new retirement formulas became available to contracting public agencies. Those three formulas are Section 21354.3 (3% @ 60 Full, Supplemental or Modified Formula for Local Miscellaneous Members), Section 21354.4 (2.5% @ 55 Full, Supplemental or Modified Formula for Local Miscellaneous Members), and Section 21354.5 (2.7% @ 55 Full, Supplemental or Modified Formula for Local Miscellaneous Members). A complete description and cost estimate for each of the three formulas begins on page 18 of the attached 2002 Optional Public Agency Contract Provisions and Amendment Procedures.

In addition to the new retirement formulas, Chapter 149 (AB 179, Statutes of 2001) and Chapter 787 (AB 1082, Statutes of 2001) that became effective January 1, 2002, provide additional reclassification options to contracting public agencies. The additional reclassification options are provided under Section 20432 (Any Officers or Employees of a Sheriff's Office as "Local Sheriff") and Section 20423.5 (Park Rangers Employed as "Local Safety Members"). A complete description and cost estimate to reclassify employees is located on page 30.

Please direct actuarial valuation requests to:

California Public Employees' Retirement System Actuarial & Employer Services Division Contract Maintenance Unit P. O. Box 942709 Sacramento, CA 94229-2709

We hope you find this information helpful. If you have questions regarding these new optional benefits, please contact your Employer Representative in the Contracts Maintenance Unit:

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Attachment